

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2020-25-T - ORDER NO. 2020-167
MARCH 26, 2020

IN RE:	Application of US Urban Services &)	ORDER APPROVING
	Associates, Inc. d/b/a College Hunks Hauling)	AMENDED TARIFF
	Junk and Moving for Approval to Amend)	
	Tariff)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) on the Application of US Urban Services & Associates, Inc. d/b/a College Hunks Hauling Junk and Moving (“US Urban Services,” “Applicant” or “Company”) to amend the Company’s current tariff. US Urban Services presently holds a Class E HHG Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (Certificate No. 9841) to transport household goods between points and places in Chester, Lancaster, and York Counties, South Carolina pursuant to the authority granted by this Commission.¹

Upon receipt of the Application, the Commission’s Clerk’s Office instructed US Urban Services to publish, one time, a Notice of Filing in newspapers of general circulation in the affected areas of the state. The purpose of the Notice of Filing was to inform interested parties of the Company’s Application and of the manner and time in which to file the appropriate pleadings for participation in the proceeding. The Company complied with this instruction and provided the Commission with proof of publication of the Notice of Filing. No protests or petitions to intervene were received.

¹ See Commission Order No. 2017-590 issued in Docket No. 2017-190-T.

By its Application, US Urban Services seeks approval to amend certain rates and to make various changes to other charges and terms and conditions of the Company's current tariff. Some of the proposed changes consist of:

- Rates increased and adjusted based on the current cost analysis and expenses in the area and the Company;
- Addition of a \$100.00 deposit – not refundable within seven days of the move;
- Addition of the phrase “We reserve the right to refuse to move items greater than 300 lbs., disassembled cribs or other items”; and,
- Military and senior citizen price adjustment.

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) completed a review of the proposed tariff and submitted its findings to the Commission on February 25, 2020. ORS advised that it found several deficiencies by US Urban Services at its compliance review on January 29, 2020. However, in a subsequent review on February 17, 2020, ORS found the Company to be in compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations. Furthermore, ORS advised that US Urban Services is currently in compliance with all filing and reporting requirements, and no consumer complaints have been filed against the Company within the past twelve months.

Lastly, from the comparison report completed by ORS of the tariff modifications proposed by US Urban Services to the South Carolina Tariff Bureau's (SCTB) rates, it appears that the majority of rates proposed by US Urban Services are above the SCTB rates, where a comparison rate is available. Although certain of the proposed rates are

above the SCTB rates, we note that no other parties have filed in opposition to the rates proposed by the Company.

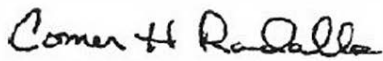
Having considered the Application, the lack of opposition, and the results of the ORS impact study, we conclude that the amended tariff proposed by US Urban Services is just and reasonable for the Company and its customers. Accordingly, the Company's Application to amend its current tariff should be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The Application of US Urban Services & Associates, Inc. d/b/a College Hunks Hauling Junk and Moving to amend its tariff is approved, subject to compliance with all applicable statutes, rules, and regulations. The approved revised tariff is attached as Order Exhibit 1.

2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Comer H. "Randy" Randall, Chairman

ATTEST:


Jocelyn Boyd, Chief Clerk/Executive Director

**REGULATIONS AND SCHEDULE OF CHARGES APPLICABLE TO
CERTAIN INTRASTATE HOUSEHOLD GOODS MOVES WITHIN THE
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

Proposed Tariff

Rev. 1

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Applicability of Tariff

This tariff contains the regulations and rates applicable to the provision of intrastate household goods moved by College Hunks Moving. These services are furnished between points and places in Chester, Lancaster and York Counties.

SECTION 1**1.0 Transportation Charges**

Transportation Charges include the hourly rates as listed below.

1.1 Hourly Rates and Charges

Moves will be conducted on a “straight time” basis, with a minimum hourly charge as set out below plus actual travel time. The clock starts at the appropriate hourly rate when the movers lift the 1st item at the client’s origin location and the clock will end when the movers release the last item at the client’s destination location.

Number of Movers**Hourly Rate**

Two Movers	\$113.00
Three Movers	\$167.00
Four Movers	\$227.00
Five Movers	\$277.00
Six Movers	\$337.00
Each Additional Mover	\$47.00 per man/per hour

Truck and travel Fee =<50 miles round trip- Cost for the Truck, Gas, and Driving to the residence:

1. 26 ft long: \$165.00
2. 16 ft long: \$145.00
3. => 51 miles will charge additional of \$1.5 dollars per mile round trip

Overnight fee \$150.00 per night

Holding fee: If customer need to held on a truck more than 4 hours on a schedule move day, the customer will be charged a flat fee of \$150 .

1.2 Office Hours / Minimum Hourly Charges:

College Hunks Moving will operate Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 8:00 pm and Saturday and Sunday from 8:00am – 6:00pm.

Monday- Friday	Two-Hour Minimum Charge
Saturday- Sunday	Two-Hour Minimum Charge
Recognized Federal Holidays	Two-Hour Minimum Charge

After the minimum hourly charge, the hourly rates are calculated in fifteen-minute increments. Any interim charge is rounded up to the next fifteen-minute increment. \$100 deposit is requiring for the move if customers cancel within 7 days of their move, College Hunks Moving will charge the applicable \$100 deposit. Hourly rates are the same, seven days a week, 24 hours a day, in every season of the year. Customers are not charged an additional fee for overtime labor.

SECTION 2**2.0 ADDITIONAL SERVICES**

The following charges shall be assessed in addition to the hourly rates quoted in Section 1 of this tariff, in connection with a move involving additional items:

2.1 Bulky Article Charges (per item)

1. Floor Model Television (48" or above) - \$120
2. Gun cabinet - \$90
3. Steel Gun Cabinet (in excess of =<300 lbs.) - \$150
4. Riding Lawnmowers- \$120 (weigh =<300 lbs)
5. Freezers - \$90
6. Flat Screen Televisions (41" or above) \$70.00
7. Golf Carts \$150
8. Particle Board /Ikea style furniture College Hunks is NOT RESPONSIBLE for these items without liability waiver.
9. College HUNKS Moving reserves the right to refuse items greater than 300 lbs if they pose a safety hazard to its employees
10. College HUNKS Moving reserves the right to refuse to disassemble items like cribs or other items

2.2 Elevator or Stair Carry

College Hunks Moving does not charge an additional fee for elevator or stair carry.

2.3 Excessive Distance or Long Carry Charges

College Hunks Moving does not charge an additional fee for carrying articles an excessive distance to or from the motor vehicle.

2.4 Pick Up and Delivery

College Hunks Moving does not charge an additional fee for making additional pick-ups or deliveries after the initial stop.

2.5 Packing and Unpacking

2.5.1 College Hunks Moving does not charge an additional fee for packing and unpacking. The packing rate is the same as the hourly rate listed in Section 1; plus, the market price of packing materials, including sales tax on the materials.

2.5.2 College Hunks Moving is not responsible for items packed by the customer. Boxes containing fragile or breakable items must be properly labeled. College Hunks Moving reserves the right to decline any moves consisting of extremely large or fragile items.

2.6 Piano Charges

College Hunks Moving will not move pianos.

2.7 Articles, Special Servicing

The rates and charges in this tariff do not include servicing or connection of appliances such as freezers, refrigerators, computer equipment, washers, dryers, televisions, and similar articles.

2.8 Waiting Time

The customer is charged the rates specified in Section 1 for all waiting time or delays which are not the fault of College Hunks Moving.

SECTION 3**3.0 RULES AND REGULATIONS****3.1 Claims**

- 3.1.1** All claims for loss, damage or overcharge must be written and should be attached to the Bill of Lading.
- 3.1.2** Claimant must notify carrier of all claims for concealed damage within 30 days of the move. College Hunks Moving must be given reasonable opportunity to inspect damaged items.
- 3.1.3** Although our movers will be careful with your possessions, from time to time damages may occur. If damages are caused by our service, College Hunks Moving reserves the right to repair the damage(s) in question. If we determine that damages can not be repaired, we reserve the right to either replace or compensate (actual cash value) for the damage. If there is damage, notify College Hunk Moving immediately. They will complete a Damage Report before they leave your site. If you discover damage after the move, call the office within 30 days of your move. No damage claims will be honored until the charges for moving services are paid in full. You will be asked to sign a Release of Liability acknowledging this.

3.2 Computing Charges

College Hunks Moving rates are computed by multiplying the applicable hourly rate by the time as provided in Section 1.

3.3 Governing Publications

College Hunks Moving rates and charges are governed by the terms and conditions of this tariff, and the Rules and Regulations of the South Carolina Public Service Commission.

3.4 Items of Particular Value

College Hunks moving does not assume any liability whatsoever for documents, currency, credit cards, jewelry, watches, precious stones or articles of extraordinary value including accounts, bills, deeds, evidences of debt, securities, notes, postage stamps, stamp collections, trading stamps, revenue stamps, letters or packets of letters, alcoholic beverages, firearms, coin collections, articles of peculiarly inherent or intrinsic value, precious metals or articles manufactured there from. College Hunks Moving will not accept responsibility for safe delivery of such articles if they come into College Hunks Moving's possession with or without College Hunks Moving's knowledge.

3.5 Bill of Lading, Contract Terms, and Conditions

Each customer will be provided with a copy of College Hunks Moving's Bill of Lading. The terms and conditions of the Bill of Lading, attached hereto, are hereby incorporated by reference.

3.6 Delays

College Hunks Moving shall not be liable for any delays in transporting household goods resulting from an act of God or fault or neglect of any unforeseen entities.

SECTION 4**4.0 PROMOTIONS**

College Hunk Moving shall apply the following promotions, in a uniform and nondiscriminatory fashion:

4.1 Military/Senior Citizens

A promotional rate of normal hourly service charges for moving, packing and unpacking items listed below will be applied for customers who are active duty military, disabled veterans, and senior citizens that provide proper proof of same. Extra chargeable items will follow rates in Section 2. 2.1. Moves will be conducted on a "straight time" basis, with a minimum hourly charge as set out in Section 1.2 plus actual travel time. The clock starts at the appropriate hourly rate when the movers leave the College Hunk Moving office location, and the movers estimate return time to the office location. The hourly rates and charges are indicated below:

<u>Number of Movers</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
Two Men and a Truck	\$110.00
Three Men and a Truck	\$165.00
Four Men and a Truck	\$225.00
Each Additional Man	\$45.00 per man/per hour

Truck and travel Fee =<50 miles round trip- Cost for the Truck, Gas, and Driving to the residence:

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